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PROJECT CEASEFIRE **SEVEN FELONS INDICTED FOR ILLEGAL FIREARMS**

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that seven Kansas City, Mo., area residents were indicted by a federal grand jury today for illegally possessing firearms. Today's indictments, Graves said, are part of Project Ceasefire, the district's ongoing anti-crime initiative.

* **Stanley F. Moody**, 39, of Kansas City, Mo., was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City with being a felon in possession of a firearm.

The federal indictment alleges that **Moody** was in possession of a Lorcin .380-caliber semi-automatic pistol on April 17, 2005. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for any felon to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. **Moody** has a 2001 criminal felony conviction for sale of a controlled substance, a 1994 criminal felony conviction for possession of a controlled substance and two 1984 criminal felony convictions for second degree murder and robbery.

This case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Stefan C. Hughes. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

* **Eddie W. Smith**, 45, of Kansas City, Mo., was charged in a two-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City with being a felon in possession of a firearm.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Smith** was in possession of a Bryco Arms Jennings 9 mm semi-automatic pistol on April 20, 2005. Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Smith** was in possession of 45 rounds of ammunition on April 22, 2005. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for any felon to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. **Smith** has a 1996 criminal felony conviction for attempted stealing, a 1994

criminal felony conviction for stealing, a 1993 criminal felony conviction for fraudulently attempting to obtain a controlled substance and two 1984 criminal felony convictions for sale of a controlled substance and fraudulently obtaining a controlled substance.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Rudolph R. Rhodes, IV. It was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

* **Johnny R. Williams**, 25, of Kansas City, Mo., was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City with being a felon in possession of a firearm.

The federal indictment alleges that **Williams** was in possession of a Burgo .25-caliber pistol on Oct. 30, 2004. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for any felon to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. **Williams** has two 2003 criminal felony convictions for trafficking a controlled substance, two 2003 criminal felony convictions for sale of a controlled substance, a 2003 criminal felony conviction for possession of a controlled substance, a 1999 criminal felony conviction for possession of a controlled substance and a 1998 criminal felony conviction for stealing.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Jess E. Michaelsen. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

* **Anthony Hollinger**, 44, of Kansas City, Mo., was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City with being a felon in possession of a firearm.

The federal indictment alleges that **Hollinger** was in possession of a Ruger 9 mm semi-automatic pistol on April 3, 2005. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for any felon to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. **Hollinger** has a 1997 criminal felony conviction for possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance and a 1993 criminal felony conviction for possession of a controlled substance.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Rudolph R. Rhodes, IV. It was investigated by the Independence, Mo., Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

* **Antonio Clemmons**, 32, of Kansas City, Mo., was charged in a two-count superseding indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City with being a felon in possession of a firearm.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Clemmons** was in possession of a Cobray 9 mm pistol on Nov. 12, 2002. Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Clemmons** was in possession of a Smith and Wesson .40-caliber semi-automatic pistol between Oct. 20 and Nov. 12, 2002. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for any felon to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. **Clemmons** has a 1991 criminal felony conviction for robbery and a 1990 criminal felony conviction for tampering.

Today's superseding indictment replaces an indictment that was originally returned by a federal grand jury on Sept. 14, 2004, in Kansas City.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul S. Becker. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

* **Terrance A. Johnson**, 25, of Kansas City, Mo., was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City with being a felon in possession of a firearm.

The federal indictment alleges that **Johnson** was in possession of a Sturm Ruger 9 mm pistol on April 12, 2005. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for any felon to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. **Johnson** has two 2003 criminal felony convictions for unlawful use of a weapon and a 2003 criminal felony conviction for stealing.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Bruce E. Clark. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

* **Jay D. Lamont**, 51, address unknown, was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City with being a felon in possession of a firearm.

The federal indictment alleges that **Lamont** was in possession of a Bryco Jennings 9 mm semi-automatic pistol and 102 rounds of ammunition on March 14, 2005. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal for any felon to be in possession of any firearm or ammunition. **Lamont** has three 1985 criminal felony convictions for robbery, a 1985 criminal felony conviction for armed criminal action and a 1984 criminal felony conviction for robbery with a firearm.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Jess E. Michaelsen. It was investigated by the Raymore, Mo., Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in these indictments are simply accusations and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

Project Ceasefire

Project Ceasefire, launched in October 1999, is a cooperative initiative by federal and local law enforcement and the Kansas City Crime Commission that targets for federal prosecution persons who unlawfully use or possess firearms. Project Ceasefire has resulted in federal charges against 773 defendants, and convictions against 658 of those defendants, including 626 who pleaded guilty and 32 who were convicted at trial. A total of 606 of the 658 convicted defendants have been sentenced, and 52 currently await sentencing hearings.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at
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